



UPDATED COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

Face Coverings

- Masks are optional for students, staff and visitors.

Cleaning and Sanitizing

- Students will be directed to wash their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Tissues and alcohol-based hand sanitizers are available in classrooms and offices.
- Custodial staff will routinely sanitize frequently touched surfaces using products approved by the US EPA for use against enveloped viral pathogens such as COVID-19.

School Clinic

- Students and staff members exhibiting COVID-19 related symptoms will be directed to the Health Clinic immediately for assessment.
- The Health Clinician has the discretion to send home students and staff members when necessary.

Case (Isolation) Guidance

Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 (regardless of vaccination status) should not come to campus and should notify the Health Clinic immediately. The COVID-positive individual should remain home isolated as outlined below.

- If you had symptoms at any point, you may discontinue home isolation when:
 - At least 5 full days have passed since your symptoms started and
 - At least 24 hours have passed since last fever, without the use of fever-reducing medications, and
 - Symptoms (ex. cough, shortness of breath) have greatly improved
- If you did NOT have symptoms at any point, you may discontinue home isolation when:
 - At least 5 full days have passed since the positive laboratory test and you remain asymptomatic
 - If symptoms develop, the guidance for symptomatic persons above should be followed
- Day 0 of isolation is defined as the date your symptoms started or the date of your first positive test, whichever came first.
- Those who test positive for COVID-19 are *required* to wear a well-fitted mask on campus until Day 10.

Close Contact (Quarantine) Guidance for ECS Campus and ECS Activities Exposures

In the event of an in-school close contact exposure, ECS is offering a *Modified Quarantine* for families who are comfortable sending their child to school, as outlined below:

- A student with NO symptoms may continue to attend school in-person, and are *required* to wear a well-fitted mask on campus until Day 10 after exposure.
- If a student develops symptoms, they will be *required* to complete the quarantine at home (see above).
- Families may still opt to keep students home for a 10-day quarantine, if desired.

Teachers and Staff

Teachers and staff who are identified as a close contact, regardless of vaccination status and point of exposure, are being offered a *Modified Quarantine*.

- A teacher/staff with NO symptoms may continue to come to school, and are *required* to wear a well-fitted mask on campus until Day 10 after exposure.
- If a teacher/staff develops symptoms, they will be *required* to complete the quarantine at home (see above).

Close Contact (Quarantine) Guidance for Home and Non-ECS Exposures

Eastside families are responsible for maintaining and monitoring their exposure in situations outside of school, and should follow the recommendations outlined by the CDC, as summarized below.

- A close contact should stay home and quarantine for 10 days.
- You may discontinue quarantine after 5 full days have passed since the exposure occurred if you did NOT have symptoms.
- Close contacts are *required* to wear a well-fitted mask on campus until Day 10 after exposure.

COVID-19 Testing Sites

- The best time to get tested for COVID-19 is 5 days after exposure, if possible
- Free Covid-19 Testing sites around ECS include:
 - [Viral Solutions](#) - Various locations
 - [G7](#) – Various locations
 - [Curative Kiosk](#) - 2203 Roswell Rd, Marietta, GA
 - [DC Pulmonary Medicine](#) – 353 Lemon St. Marietta, GA
 - [Jim Miller Park](#) – 1295 Al Bishop Dr, Marietta, GA
 - [Kennesaw State University \(Old Brandsmart\)](#) – 3305 Busbee Dr NW, Kennesaw, GA
 - [Test4Free.Org](#) - Cumberland Mall or Lenox Mall

Communication

- Email the Health Clinic at ecsclinic@ebcnet.org for COVID-19 related issues.
- Parents and guardians will receive a voicemail and/or email notification from the Health Clinic if their student is identified as a Close Contact.
- ECS will continue to send out weekly COVID-19 Data.
- Please refer to [Cobb and Douglas Public Health Department](#) website for more COVID-19 information.